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THE CALENDAR

May 6:

KENWOOD-HYDE PARK BRANCH: The regular monthly meeting will be held in the Skyroom of the Sherry Hotel and will feature Ladies' Night. The speaker for the evening will be L. Fisher, the cartoonist, whose subject will be "Chalk Views of Today's News." A quartet, the Biltmore Boys, will furnish additional entertainment.

May 6:

SOUTH SUBURBAN BRANCH: The regular monthly meeting will be held at Surma's Restaurant. Dinner at 6:30 followed by the business meeting.

May 13:

ENGLEWOOD BRANCH: The regular monthly meeting will be held at the Hayes Hotel. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. followed by business meeting featuring the installation of officers at 8:00. The speaker for the evening will be Dr. Edward J. Ryan whose subject will be "Physicobiologic Aspects of Dental Practice." Refreshments will be served in the clubroom following the scientific session. All veterans and new members are especially invited to attend.

May 18:

NORTHWEST BRANCH: The regular monthly meeting will be held at the Patria Restaurant, 2011 West North Avenue. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. followed by the meeting featuring Dr. Ralph E. Libberton, who will speak on the subject of "Success in Denture Construction."

May 20:

CHICAGO DENTAL SOCIETY: The regular monthly meeting will be held in the North Ballroom of the Stevens Hotel. A symposium on "Good Health for the Dentist," and the installation of officers will comprise the program. The symposium speakers will be Louie T. Austin, D.D.S., Chauncey C. Maher, M.D., and Fremont A. Chandler, M.D.

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New Regime Takes Over at May Monthly Meeting

Officers Will Be Installed With Proper Ceremony

The new officers and directors of the Chicago Dental Society will be installed at the regular monthly meeting to be held at the Stevens Hotel, Tuesday, May 20. President Robert I. Humphrey will be

the installing officer and will turn the gavel over to Dr. Harry A. Hartley, the incoming president.

The other new officers are: Dr. Edwin W. Baumann, vice-president; Dr. Arno L Brett, secretary and Dr. Vincent B. Milas, treasurer. Dr. Robert J. Wells will assume the office of president-elect and wil! be installed as president in May, 1948. Two new members of the Board of Direc-

tors, one from Englewood and one from North Suburban, will also be installed at this meeting.

ELECTION

The annual election of officers took place on April 15 and as only one slate

had been presented there was no contest. The Secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the candidates as nominated. Many of the newly elected officers have held office previously in

> the Chicago Dental Society. Dr. Harry A. Hartley has held every elective office. President-Elect Robert J. Wells has served two years as secretary and Dr. Vincent B. Milas has just finished one year as treasurer.



Dr. Harry A. Hartley, President

PRESIDENT

The new president, Harry A. Hartley, has served organized dentistry well and at the close of the Society year will complete eight consec-

utive years on the Board of Directors. In addition to his Chicago Dental Society activities as director, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, he has been prominent in Kenwood-Hyde Park branch affairs—acting as president, secretary, treasurer and on many committees.

To this wide background of dental organization experience is added a fine character, a pleasing personality and a steadfast devotion to the highest ideals of dentistry.

Dr. Hartley received his preparatory schooling in Sigorney and spent two years at the University of Iowa before entering the Navy to serve in World War I. He was graduated with honors in 1923 from Northwestern University School of Dentistry, and since then has practiced his profession in the Hyde Park district. He is a member of Delta Sigma Delta and Omicron Kappa Upsilon. Mrs. Hartley and Harry, Jr., his golf and fishing partners, share his very busy life.—Elmer Ebert.

VICE-PRESIDENT

Edwin W. Baumann, Vice-President of the Chicago Dental Society, is an unusually conscientious, hard working and capable young man. He is a resident of Arlington Heights, a graduate of Lane Technical High School and worked for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company while studying dentistry at Northwestern University where he was graduated in 1928.



Dr. Edwin W. Baumann, Vice-President

Early in his career, although taking care of a busy practice, he became interested in dental society affairs. In his branch society he has held all the offices. including president, and has been a member of most of its committees. During the last fifteen years he has been chairman of a number of the following committees of the Chicago Dental Society: Clinic General Arrangements, Law Enforce. ment, and Finance, as well as being a member of the Board of Directors. In the State Society he has been a member of the Exhibit Committee and on several occasions a delegate to the American Dental Association annual meeting.

Although working his way through dental school, he found time to serve his fraternity, the Xi Psi Phi, as president of the school chapter. He is a life member and past president of the local alumni chapter. He is also a member of the Trowel Club of Northwestern University.

Dr. Baumann takes a keen interest in civic affairs. He has been chairman and a member of the Arlington Heights Board of Health for eighteen years, president and member of the Board of Directors of the local Chamber of Commerce.

He is a member of the Chiselers' Club where he was champion table tennis player for many years; now this human dynamo keeps physically fit by playing gin rummy or pinochel.—O. J. Olafsson. Secretary.

TREASURER

Vincent B. Milas, Treasurer of the Chicago Dental Society, was born and raised on the South Side adjacent to the Englewood district. He attended the public schools and after graduation from Lindblom High enrolled at the Chicago College of Dental Surgery receiving his dental degree in 1927.

He joined the Chicago Dental Society through the Englewood branch in 1928, serving the branch society on numerous committees as member and chairman, and giving unstintingly of his time toward the advancement of organized dentistry. He was president of Englewood branch



Dr. Vincent B. Milas, Treasurer

during 1936-1937 and director of the Chicago Dental Society from Englewood between 1938 and 1941.

Dr. Milas has also been chairman of the Finance Committee, chairman of the Executive Committee of the 1942 Midwinter Meeting, a member of the Election and Registration Committees and of the Dental Relief Commission. All these duties have given him the necessary experience and background for the treasurership.

He is a member of Psi Omega fraternity and the American Association of Endodontists.

In addition to his dental activities he is interested in civic affairs, having served on the advisory board of the Chicago Plan Commission, as chairman of Chicago's Centennial celebration, Community and War Fund, War Loan drives and as past president of the Marquette Park Lions Club.

He is married and the father of two sons. His hobbies are photography, golf and bowling.—Rodney H. Marks.

SECRETARY

Arno L. Brett, the new Secretary, goes back on the Board after only a one year

lapse. He served a 3 year term, 1943-46, as Director from the West Suburban Branch.

Dr. Brett was born on Chicago's west side back in 1892. He attended the Chicago public schools and took his predental studies at Lewis Institute. He was graduated from the Chicago College of Dental Surgery in 1914 and served in the Dental Corps of the Army in World War I. He was attached to a Field Artillery outfit while in France.

Except for his two years' army service, Dr. Brett has practiced in his present office at Austin Blvd., and Roosevelt Road continuously. He held all the offices of his Branch, before his term as Director, as well as serving on various committees of the parent society from time to time.

Dr. Brett is a master of detail and as such is well qualified to take up the exacting duties of Secretary of the Chicago Dental Society.

PRESIDENT-ELECT

Robert J. Wells has just completed two years as secretary, an office to which he has devoted an enormous amount of time. For many years he has been active in local, state and national dental soci-



Dr. Arno L. Brett, Secretary

eties. After serving in World War I, Dr. Wells in this war served for many months in the difficult position of state chairman of the Procurement and Assignment service. His effective work in that job, as successor to Dr. William I. McNeil, insured the contribution of the Chicago Dental Society and of the Illinois State Dental Society to the war effort.

Dr. Wells was graduated from the School of Dentistry, University of Michigan, in 1916. He served for a year on the faculty of that institution and then entered the Army Dental Corps during World War I. In his local dental society. Dr. Wells has held many positions, serving as both president and secretary. He has been a member of the Executive Council of the Illinois State Dental Society and has been a delegate on several occasions to the House of Delegates of the American Dental Association. In the Chicago Dental Society he has served on committees too numerous to mention, including a term on the Board of Directors.

Dr. Wells' success in difficult administrative tasks, his energy in seeking out new fields of service to members and his genial personality recommend him unqualifiedly for the strenuous post of president-elect of the Chicago Dental Society. Under his able guidance and that of the other officers, the Society can look forward to another year of successful accomplishment.—Harold Hillenbrand.

DIRECTORS

Two new members of the Board of Directors who will be installed at the



Dr. Robert J. Wells, President-Elect

May meeting are Dr. Harold H. Hayes, of Englewod Branch, and Dr. James E. Fonda, of North Suburban Branch.

Dr. Hayes graduated from the Chicago College of Dental Surgery in 1926. He served two years as secretary of the Englewood Branch and became president of the branch in 1938. He was vice-chairman of the Monthly Meeting Program Committee of the Chicago Dental Society last year. Dr. Fonda graduated from the University of Illinois, College of Dentistry in 1915. He was one of the founders of the Winnetka-Kenilworth-Glencoe Study Club and has long been active in its affairs. He was president of his Branch, North Suburban, in 1945.

Youth Night Program Attracts Capacity Crowd

High School Students Display Considerable Interest

The second Youth Night Dinner of the Chicago Dental Society, held at the Stevens Hotel, Tuesday, April 15, went over in a big way. Over two hundred and seventy-five students and dentists attended. Nearly every Chicago area high school sent one or more representative and many more would have attended had there been room for them. As it was, the North Ballroom of the Stevens was comfortably filled. There were many more students than dentists in the audience. which included twenty-five counselors. Among the guests were the Deans of the three Chicago Dental Schools; Dr. Charles W. Freeman of Northwestern, Dr. R. W. McNulty of Chicago College and Dr. Allen G. Brodie of Illinois. Mr. A. H. Pritzlaff, Director of the Bureau of Physical and Health Education, Chicago Board of Education and Mr. E. L. Kerchner, Assistant Director, Bureau of Occupational Research, Chicago Board of Education, represented the Public Schools and Rev. Stanley Stoga, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Archdiocesan School Board of Chicago, represented the Parochial Schools.

BUSINESS MEETING

A short business meeting followed the dinner at which President Humphrey presided. The officers for the coming year were elected and inasmuch as there was no contest the Secretary was introduced to cast a unanimous ballot for the candidates as follows: president-elect, Robert J. Wells; vice president, Edwin W. Baumann; secretary, Arno L. Brett; treasurer, Vincent B. Milas. These officers, together with the new president, Harry A. Hartley, will be installed at the May meeting. Following the business meeting, Dr. William "Big Bill" Osmanski was introduced. Dr. Osmanski, former star of the Chicago Bears, regaled the assembly with sidelights of big league football and then

showed some movies of the Bears in action. This part of the program was received with enthusiastic applause on the part of the students and members alike.

DENTISTRY AS A CAREER

The Monthly Meeting Program Committee outdid itself in picking the speaker of the evening. He was Dr. Gerald Timmons, Dean of Temple University Dental School, the second largest dental school in the country. Dr. Timmons wasted no time in getting down to the business of the occasion. His treatment of the subject, "Dentistry as a Career," proved of profound interest. He divided the topic into five subdivisions: (1) Background: (2) The need for the finished product; (3) What a student must do before becoming a dentist; 4) Opportunities in the field and (5) Rewards. Dr. Timmons traced the history of dentistry as a profession, dating back to the first dental school which was organized in 1840. There are now thirty-nine recognized schools in the country. He remarked that the first dental society was founded in 1856 and has since grown until the American Dental Association now has a membership of over seventy-five per cent of the dentists of the United States, a remarkable record for organizations of its kind.

Dr. Timmons stressed the need for adequate predental education in the arts and sciences and stated that only the top ten per cent of high school graduates are considered by the professional schools. In other words, the competition for entrance into a dental school is terrific at the moment. He decried the policy of students who can not make the grade for admittance to medical schools taking dentistry as a second choice. "Dentistry," he said, "is too full of frustrated physicians." He pointed out that the opportunities in den-

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What Now?

By Frederick T. Barich



The place in which I was born and reared was a small turbulent mining town in the west. This type of place attracted people of all races, creeds and colors. Most were good, a few bad, and some indifferent. A cross section of any area within the community would turn up the above in about the same relative proportions. This town was probably no different from similar places throughout the country which happened to be developing or exploiting some portion of our inherent national wealth. Like all normal, small children we played games, went to Sunday school and attended the public schools. As we grew older we did fundamentally these same things, but in addiiton we formed gangs for the promotion of mutual interests. Competition in all forms of sports among the various groups acted like a catalyst to fuse these primary groups into a unified mass, which, in later years, was to become part of the nation's backbone. This competition was keen and not infrequently

would end in free-for-alls with attendant blackened eyes and bloody noses. These incidents were not rare; they were part of a boy's conditioning process which served to stand him in good stead for life's mutant realities. In all but rare instances, the feuds between gangs and their members existed is name only; but they did serve the cardinal purpose of keeping everyone on the alert. The boys who excelled in any sport were held in high esteem by all boys in the community. Through these close contacts lasting friendships were made; and during retrospective moments the names and faces of those boys often flash across one's mind. In those days it seemed that all people were cast from the same mold and little or no attention was paid to race, color or creed of the individuals. If a Protestant had a Sunday school assignment his pals respected it and frequently went to church with him; or, if a Catholic had to go to confession the others tagged along and waited outside or inside the church until he was absolved. Other parallels could be cited but for the moment those mentioned should suffice. Mutual admiration for capabilities, respect for inherent personal rights, and tolerance for religious beliefs formed a tripod on which revolved the development of the individual.

It was not until the outside world was contacted that I realized that in given areas of our country the baser characteristics of man were taught and encouraged. Fortunately for mankind and our country in particular, the individuals in these latter categories were in the minority. Bigotry and intolerance were difficult to understand and to this day I cannot ascribe to either. Accidents of birth and misfortune of environment may be given as excuses. These excuses are valid only through the adolescent period; but when adulthood is reached and reasoning becomes mature there can be no sound reason for condemning anyone providing he measures up to the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule. These yardsticks have withstood the test of time. It might be well for all of us to pause occasionally and meditate on these pronouncements—it would be good for us, better for our country and exemplary for disillusioned mankind in general.

Joe Bicuspid says: "Mere acceptance of responsibility's yoke does not make the man; designation comes after he has learned to bear Life's burdens with pride and dignity."

Diagnosis of Periodontal Diseases

Sidney Sorrin, D.D.S.

Recognition of the earliest symptoms of periodontal disease is indispensable to satisfactory treatment. It safeguards the general health of the patient and prevents possible loss of teeth.

In order to treat any disease it is necessary to determine its nature through the process of diagnosis. Diagnosis and etiology are closely allied; they require, in addition to a profound study of the tissues involved, a keen perception and memory of the conditions which have been observed. Proper diagnosis employs accumulated knowledge which has been acquired over a long period of clinical experience.

The young dental interne is amazed when the diagnostician renders what seems like a most uncanny diagnosis after a short examination. The opinion is not a snap diagnosis. It is the result of years of training and observation.

The effectiveness of present day methods of treatment is attested by many periodontists. We ask, on the basis of their reports, whether periodontal disease can be cured. Ever since the practice of dentistry became a science, this question has been propounded, and only in recent years have we been able to answer in the affirmative: Periodontal disease can be cured.

PRIMARY PRINCIPLES

Successful results are dependent upon understanding of the primary principles of treatment. These include:

- (1) Study of the tissues involved.
- (2) Diagnosis including laboratory tests and prognosis.
- (3) Removal of all etiologic factors.
- (4) Remedying the condition and removing effects of disease by either scientific instrumentalities or sur-
- (5) Raising of tissue resistance by teaching proper methods of gin-

gival stimulation, mouth care and diet.

One of the major factors in the failure of treatment is lack of confidence. Success requires patience and particular attention to details, with the constant purpose of effecting a cure, rather than a mere alleviation of an immediate condition such as pus flow or abnormal gingival tissue (which may be corrected by medication and the removal of deposits even though the basic destructive process continues).

Conversely, in advanced cases, care should be taken not to attempt the impossible.

The assertion that the disease is curable may arouse severe criticism, but more than twenty years of practice devoted exclusively to periodontia have led me to certain definite opinions regarding the treatment of the condition.

Questions such as these arise:

- (1) Are all cases cured?
- (2) Does the condition return?
- (3) Is it merely retarded?

MEANING OF CURE

Before we enter into further discussion, it might be well to define what is meant by cure:

- The teeth become firm and useful members of the dental apparatus.
- (2) Suppuration and bleeding cease.
- (3) Pockets are eliminated.
- (4) The gingivae become firm, resistant to infection and of normal color.
- (5) In some cases, it may be observed roentgenographically that fillingin of bone occurs with the formation of a new lamina dura which extends over the bone; in others, an increase in density of bone is established. However, filling-in of bone does not occur in every case

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALTH EDUCATION RADIO PROGRAM

In cooperation with the Council of Social Agencies, the Committee on Dental Health Education of the Chicago Dental Society sponsored a radio broadcast over station WBBM, Saturday, March 29. The broadcast was one of a series entitled, "That Men May Live." The script was written by Betty Babcock and enacted by members of the Chicago

Junior League Radio Theatre.

The story had to do with the old theme of "boy meets girl" but in this case the girl wasn't very happy about it because the boy had a jumbled up mess of teeth, which not only made him look goofy but aslo interfered with his articulation. As the story proceeded, the boy was put in the hands of an orthodontist who straightened his teeth and in so doing not only improved his appearance but his personality as well. To make a long story short, by the time the boy and girl were ready to graduate from high school she was quite willing to make a "very special date" with the boy for he had proved to be a better than average student and was elected Chairman of Graduation Activ-

The story was tied in with the Chicago Dental Society's program for dental health education. The announcer, in summing up, told the radio audience that programs were available to schools, churches, parent teachers associations, mothers' groups, men's clubs and all other organizations interested in the health, welfare and education of children. Lectures by dentists, discussions by health educators, sound motion picture programs, and many kinds of educational literature could be secured, he said, from the Chicago Dental Society, which was making "an outstanding contribution to health education in its program of dental examinations of school children."

DATES FOR 1948 MIDWINTER MEETING ANNOUNCED

The 1948 Midwinter Meeting of the Chicago Dental Society will be held at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, February 9 to 12 inclusive. Hotels will not accept or confirm requests for room reservations prior to September 2, 1947.

BLUE CROSS BENEFITS

The Blue Cross Plan for Hospital Care has been increasing its membership by leaps and bounds, and now one person in every five in the Chicago Plan area belongs. The Plan, which is under the sponsorship of the American Hospital Association, includes the eighty-five major hospitals in the Chicago area which are approved by the American College of Surgeons as member hospitals of the Blue Cross Plan.

The Blue Cross is continually adding to its list of benefits and today pays its members' bills for thirty full days of hospital benefits, plus ninety additional days at half coverage. It has increased its maternity care benefits from ten days after a twelve month waiting period to thirty days after a nine month waiting period with ninety days at half cost if such stay is necessary.

A few years ago, Blue Cross members received coverage for ordinary drugs only, but today, all drugs, including penicillin and streptomycin, are included when one is a hospital bed patient. Even quarantinable diseases, nervous and mental disease, venereal disease, alcoholism, and pulmonary tuberculosis cases are covered by the Plan.

Another valuable feature of Blue Cross is that members who travel from one Plan territory to another may continue to maintain their protection. When, for any reason, a Blue Cross member must enter

a hospital outside the Chicago Plan area, he is entitled to receive the full benefits offered by the Blue Cross Plan representing that particular area. If a member moves permanently to a new locality, he may transfer his membership to the Blue Cross Plan representing his new place of business. At no time is his status as a protected member of Blue Cross jeopardized, as long as his membership dues are maintained.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AFFAIRS

The officers of the Chicago Dental Society held a conference with representatives of the Chicago office of the Veterans Administration on March 26. The purpose of the conference was to see if the authorization for dental work and payments for it could be expedited. The officials of the Administration explained that much of the delay is due to the fact that the Chicago office is called upon to handle a terrific load. Over thirteen per cent of all applications for dental care in the United States go through the Chicago branch office. To handle this number of applications effectively would require a staff of approximately four hundred clerical employees. The office has only fifty-two clerical employees at present.

Another reason for the delay is that the participating dentist is not as yet familiar with the forms to fill them out properly. Only two per cent of these forms are properly executed. Consequently, many of them have to be returned for correction. This, obviously, takes considerable time. Recently, the Veterans Administration authorities in Washington have revised the application form and simplified it. In the future it wil contain only two pages instead of four.

As for the authorization for payments of work completed, the Veterans Administration advises that these are being processed as rapidly as possible by the Finance Division. No payment is made in any case until the work is completed. In

other words, participating dentists who have made an examination and x-rays will not be paid for this item until the case is closed.

EVENING COURSES AT UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The University of Illinois, College of Dentistry has announced another evening course for practicing dentists. Dr. Isaac Schour, associate dean in charge of post graduate studies, said that a course in Physicology and Pathology of the Periodontal Structures would be offered to dentists starting Wednesday, May 28.

The course will be conducted over a period of six consecutive Wednesday evenings and will be taught by Dr. Balint Orban and his associates on the staff. This course is the third of the evening series which is designed primarily for dentists who are unable to devote full time to post graduate study. In this way, a dentist can continue his education and keep informed of the latest advances in a specific field of dentistry.

Civilian registration for the new course may be made in writing with payment of a \$25.00 tuition fee. Veterans can enroll under the provisions of the G.I. Bill of Rights.

NAVY MAKES AWARD

The Great Lakes Naval Training Center was the scene of an award of merit to an outstanding civilian dentist on March 21. Dr. O. M. Dresen, Professor of Dental Prosthesis School of Dentistry, Marquette University, was the recipient of the award, a "certificate of appreciation."

Dr. Dresen volunteered his services at the beginning of the war and visited Great Lakes on a regular schedule to demonstrate the system that he had developed at Marquette for making full and partial dentures. This enabled the dental officers at the training center to standardize one practical technique for denture construction and thus speed up the work enormously. At one time, the

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NEWS OF THE BRANCHES

WEST SUBURBAN

A new year for West Suburban was begun on April eight with the installation of Arnold F. Pins as our new president. Arnold received his pre-dental training at Trinity College, Sioux City, Iowa, and graduated from the Chicago College of Dental Surgery in 1923. His home is in Glen Ellyn. He and Mrs. Pins have two fine sons and two beautiful daughters. Arnold is a member of the St. Charles Country Club. He and Mrs. Pins recently returned from a month's vacation in California. The writer stopped at his office at Three Madison Street, Oak Park, to obtain this modest sketch of our new president. He maintains a very fine office which is conducted with dignity and efficiency. The new president will announce his committees shortly and also a new branch correspondent. . . . The West Suburban Round Table will be continued throughout the summer. The dates of the meetings will be May fifth, June second, July seventh, August fourth, and September eighth. The meetings are held at 12 o'clock at the Oak Park Club at Seven Twenty-one Ontario Street, Oak Park. At the last meeting of the Round Table, a very splendid presentation on alginate impressions for inlay technique was given by one of our members, George Ulvestad, who is on the teaching staff at Northwestern University Dental School. The scientific program at our last regular meeting on April eight was given by Dr. Wayne B. Slaughter on the treatment of facial anomalies. He illustrated his lecture with some very fine colored slides. Dr. Slaughter pointed out very clearly that there is an urgent need for more cooperation between the medical and dental professions in the treatment and management of cleft palate and harelip cases. A keen interest was exhibited in this presentation and many pertinent questions were asked by the members, and additional information was received from the answers given by Dr. Slaughter. . . . Ed Moore, the retiring president, thanked all of his committees which have made this year a highly successful one. The important highlight of the meeting was the presentation of an Elgin watch to Werner Gresens in recognition of the splendid work he performed in raising the funds for the work the Society did in behalf of our veteran members. There was an unused balance of about \$90.00 which the Society voted to give to the boys with spinal injuries in Hines Hospital. This was at the suggestion of H. P. Westaby who lost a son in the late war. . . . The following members are attending the meeting of the Central Section of the American Dental Association of Orthodontists in Minneapolis: Beulah Nelson, Ione Kral, and Karl Von Der Heydt. . . . The writer wishes to thank all the members who have helped to make the West Suburban column a success during the preceding year.-Asa I. La Grow, Branch Correspondent.

NORTHWEST

The final meeting of the present administration will take place on Wednesday, May 18, at the University of Illinois Union Building, 721 S. Wood St. This will be a farewell to retiring President Bob Placek and a welcome to newly elected President La Mar Harris and his corps of officers. This also being ladies' night, we shall have entertainment in the form of Keno. We are promised a return engagement with the punch bowl. So plan to be there with your wife, sweetheart, friend or stag. . . . The next issue of the Fortnightly Review will contain a report on Dr. Ralph Libberton's lecture on "Full Dentures." . . . Prepare to acquaint yourself with the newly elected members assigned to our branch:

Myron T. Ataman, Joseph C. Brown, Leo F. Baranowski, Clarence A. Brandt, Max P. Forkosh, Julius Goodman, Elmer M. Imber, Ashton E. Knickels, Joseph Kolodziejszyk, Harry R. Lande, Charles R. Matera, Walter G. Niedzwiadek, Charles J. Peterson, Simon Samson, William L. Schlesinger, Joseph Raskin and Carl J. Teresi. Contact any that you may know and show them our Northwest fellowship and hospitality. . . . Our Northwest Branch was very well represented at the meeting in Milwaukee of the Wisconsin State Dental Society. Clinicians included our Secretary, Pete Wlodkowski, Arthur Elfenbaum and A. H. Tamarin. Of course, Dan Klein and Herman Wenger were there along with Henry Boris and Ben Davidson. . . . Dan Klein sent a menu from the Wisconsin State Dental Convention featuring a bottle of what makes Milwaukee famous. On it he scribbled, "We were here and also up in Minneapolis." I wonder how many miles Dan has traveled attending dental conventions and clinics. How about it Dan? Another traveler, President-Elect La Mar Harris, is planning on a trip to the Kentucky Derby, then on to Washington. Well, get it out of your system, La Mar, cause we want you around when you are president. . . . Peter De Boer is sporting a new maroon Ford convertible. . . . Tom Wright spent a lonesome time awaiting his wife's return from St. Anne's Hospital where she underwent an operation. . . . Jimmy Guerrero back from a three weeks' vacation in Florida reports hauling in a forty-five-pound sailfish. Most of us come back with only a tan. ... A. C. Macaluso is practicing that nervous tapping of the feet to the tune of "Here Comes the Bride" which he expects to put on public show in the near future. . . . Still another member, Stanley Fluent, has left town to take up permanent residence in California. . . . Thad Olechowski has become civic minded, the word is that he is running for the Library Board in Elmwood Park. Good luck, Thad! . . . Still another much traveled member, Ben Davidson, reports it quite a duty to assist and keep tabs on his fra-

ternity brothers over a wide territory....
Bob Placek and Chester Stypinski are
back from Hot Springs, Arkansas clean
as lilies after their many steam baths.—
Gustav J. Tilley, Branch Correspondent.

KENWOOD-HYDE PARK

The next meeting of the Kenwood-Hyde-Park Branch will be held Tuesday, May 6, and will be Ladies' Night. It will be in the Skyroom of the Sherry Hotel and dinner will be served at \$3.50 a plate. The committee has secured some rare entertainment consisting of the cartoonist, L. Fisher. The subject of the lecture for the evening will be "Chalk Views of Today's News." This lecture should prove of great interest to the ladies. We will also have the Biltmore Boys, a quartet that both sing and play. They are rated as "tops" in their line. All in all, the committee bespeaks a very interesting evening. . . . Willard Johnson, our aerial minded past president, took unto himself a plane and flew to Syracuse, New York to spend a day with Dr. Wassermann. The occasion for this flight was to study the use of analgesia in connection with operative dentistry. He reports that Dr. Wassermann is a past master in the use of nitrous oxide. He gives it to all of his patients, young and old. His technique is his own, developed after much research. The patients demand it and are actually sorry when the operation is over. Willard has bought a new gas machine, so look out for a "big blow" on the corner of 75th Street and Cottage Grove Avenue. . . . Bill Gilruth is back in his office after a prolonged illness. Glad to hear he is feeling better and here's hoping he stays well. . . . Howard Strange is in California attending the Angles' Orthodontic Meeting. From there, I believe, he is going to attend Dr. Tweed's course at Tucson, Arizona. Also attending the Angles' Meeting is B. L. Herzberg. . . . We have a new birth in Kenwood. Herb Dangremond has a new baby boy at his house; they call him Tommy Herbert. . . . Ralph Libberton, our traveling denture clinician, is going to present a denture clinic at the Northwest Branch of the Chicago Dental Society next week. Two other clinicians of Kenwood are P. L. Mathisen, who gave his clinic on muscostatics and Stanley Korf, who gave his clinic on children's dentistry at the North Side Branch. Incidentally, Stanley is going to move his office to the 53rd Street and Hyde Park Bank Building. Good luck, Stanley! . . . The officers of Kenwood-Hyde Park for the year 1947-48 are: W. L. Spencer, President; Chet Blakeley, President-Elect; Chris Davidson, Vice-President; P. L. Mathisen, Treasurer; Lawrence Johnson, Secretary; and Bob Pinkerton, Board of Directors. . . . The Golf Committee, headed by M. W. Case, have the plans underway for the annual golf meet. It will be held at the Navajo Country Club, Wednesday, June 11, 1947, with steak and liquid refreshments available. Come one, come all to this your golf meet. . . . During the printing of this column, your scribe will be in Cuba. Kindly send news for the May first and May fifteenth columns to Willard Johnson, 7454 Cottage Grove Avenue; telephone-Vincennes 3059.-Lawrence H. Johnson, Branch Correspondent.

ENGLEWOOD

Wrote the notes for this article on the back of the bank deposit slip; it wasn't any good for anything else Easter week. Somebody fibbed on Ray Van Dam 'cause he didn't go to Florida; he went to Mexico for four weeks, and he also went to Milwaukee with Rabishaw and Runyan to present a clinic before the Wisconsin State Dental Society. . . . John Kryda has moved from 79th and Green Streets to 78th and Halsted Streets. . . . Len Pawlikowski has recently moved to 80th Street and Ashland Avenue. Here's the news on Englewood's big golf and outdoor day-it will be held Wednesday, June 25, at Navajo Field's Country Club. . . . G. G. Berg is back to work after a serious auto accident which laid him up for six weeks. . . . Jerry Murphy and Al Pfordresher have been on the sick list, too, but are back on the job. . . . Frank Murrin beat the housing shortage by buying a "two-flat" at 71st and Chappel Streets. . . Frank Farrell recently attended a meeting of the reserve dental officers at St. Louis. Frank is a member of the medical advisory committee of Illinois and is in a spot to help the boys with bonus applications. . . . Al Moore is attending the Angle Orthodontic Society meeting in Santa Barbara and will visit the folks in San Francisco on the way home. . . . Al Fisher and Miss Valerie Jacobsen were recently married and will honeymoon in the Smokies' and return to Shreveport where he is stationed. . . . Ray Van Dam will be chairman of the clinic division of the Chicago Dental Society homecoming. . . . Malcolm Brooks and I are giving up on the possibilities of spring and are going to Southern Illinois next week and open it up in glory. . . . Death took a heavy toll at Englewood this week. Cliff Loomis, Jack Belsan and Miles Gallagher have passed away and the sympathy of all Englewood is extended to the families and loved ones.-Webster Byrne, Assistant Branch Correspondent.

WEST SIDE

Our meeting on March 22 rounded out a year of good meetings under the leadership of Mike DeRose. Mike can well be proud of his record as he has led us forward. We are especially grateful to Doctors J. P. Weinmann and Carlos Pomes for their very instructive lectures. Dr. Weinmann for his lectures on periodontia and Dr. Pomes for his excellent talk on Hollenback's inlay casting technique. We know of the sacrifices they have made, both professional and personal for the good of the organized profession. . . . The vacation bug must be nibbling on George Vogt, Harry Rubens, Al Sells. Ed Rus and Maurice Berman as they are all oiling up their reels for those big fish that they will never catch. Jimmy Guerrero just returned from an extensive vacation in Florida. He says that one has never had a real thrill until he has felt the pull of sailfish on the end of the line. George Barnes has recently returned from a tour through the Smoky Mountains. Vincent Vivirito has been sunning himself in Arizona. He was very overwhelmed with the cactus while there. Earl Boulger and M. C. Lepak were in Minneapolis visiting Dr. Lepak's brothers. . . . The news for the next issue of the Fortnightly Review will be written by Maurice Berman. Telephone him at Franklin 3894.—Irvin C. Miller, Assistant Branch Correspondent.

NORTH SUBURBAN

The last regular meeting of the season was held by the North Suburban Branch of the Chicago Dental Society on April 8 at the North Shore Hotel in Evanston. President Poyer brought the meeting to order after we had finished a wonderful steak dinner. The chairman of the different committees were called upon to give a report of their activities during the past year. Harry Chronquist reported that there was a balance of \$700.00 in the treasury which makes a good working capital for the coming year. Waldo Urban said that seventy-seven season dinner tickets had been sold and that number was the minimum for dinner at any one meeting. Ed Ryan reported for the fluorine committee and stated some statistics on the study as conducted by Dr. Blaney and his associates. Ed said that fluorine in the proportion of one part per million had been added to the Evanston and Skokie water supply and that Oak Park had consented to act as a control. Many other reports were read, however, but space does not permit a detailed account of them. The election of officers for the coming year was then held, and the following men were elected: Arthur Leaf as President, LeRoy Hedges as Vice President, Harry Chronquist as Secretary, Waldo Urban as Treasurer, Jim Fonda on the Board of Directors of the Chicago Dental Society and Walter Poyer on the Board of Directors of the North Suburban Branch. The main speaker of the evening was Dr. Hilton Ira Jones, who was introduced by Drs. Smothers and Burrows, the latter being the father of Dr. Jones' son-in-law. This also makes Dr. Jones the father of Dr. Burrows' daughter-in-law. Anyway you look at it, their kids got married and now both of the doctors can be called grandpa. This, according to Dr. Jones, is the result of a simple chemical formula handed down from generation to generation. Dr. Jones' talk on "Peeps of Things To Come In Modern Chemistry" was one of the best I have ever listened to with my one good ear. He is a good speaker knows his subject, and for once I saw the boys taking notes. The only criticism I heard was that the time went too fast. Dr. Jones gave the history of many of our basic items of food and clothing, plastics, glass, alloys, cosmetics, and a substance called "Reanite" which is supposed to stick any two materials together so that it is impossible to pull them apart. Many of the boys wrote that name down, no doubt to use on some of their inlays that pop out. After the talk, President Poyer turned the gavel over to the new President, Art Leaf, who closed the meeting without further adoo. ... News of our traveling brethren-Jim Fonda is in Florida, Al Bushev is vacationing in the Ozarks, Bob Lasater is back from his trip to Bermuda. . . . The members of North Suburban Branch wish to thank Walter Pover and the officers and committee members of the outgoing group for all the fine work they have done during the past year. Now let's all get behind Art Leaf and do our best to make the coming year even better if that's possible. - Edward J. Sullivan, Branch Correspondent.

NORTH SIDE

The last and final meeting of the season was a great success. This being a clinic night many North Siders were present to pick up a few pointers from the clinicians. Arthur Elfenbaum demonstrated the use of acrylics in crown and bridgework, P. L. Mathisen in full dentures, A. H. Tamarin in partial dentures, Gerard J. Casey in periodontia, Stanley

R. Korf in dentistry for children, Edward Soucek in amalgam technics and Peter A. Wlodkowski in mouth preparation. The new officers were installed and by the ovation they received it is sure to be a very popular administration with Ed Luebke at the helm. My congratulations to the retiring officers for their untiring efforts in making the past season a pleasant and successful one. Harold Hillenbrand as busy as he is was present at the meeting, please remember that, when the meetings start next fall. Harold Oppice was also present and presented a short address in regard to the Youth Night of the Chicago Dental Society. In giving this address, Harold was substituting for Jerry Couch. . . . John Nelson and son are leaving for a three months' tour of Sweden. Walter Mayland wanted him to stop in Norway and look for a certain lost fijord, however, John said he would rather detour through Ireland to look up some of Art Blim's relatives. . . . Walter Mayland left for Washington for a short visit with his daughter who now holds a responsible position in the United Nations Organization. . . . Art Blim, who is vice president of the Northwestern Alumni Association, is in charge of the homecoming program to be held at Northwestern University on Tuesday, June 17. He is assisted by George Schmidt and Harold Sitron.—Orrin Baumgarth, Branch Correspondent.

SECRETARY MARSHALL LOVES DETAIL

A recent article in Collier's about Secretary Marshall points out that he seems fascinated by details. While in command of the Fifth Infantry Brigade at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, in 1936, he became interested in the records of the dentists who serviced the area's C.C.C. Camps of which he also had charge. He investigated the ratio of fillings to extractions among reputable dentists and found that one of the C.C.C. dentists was yanking too many teeth. This made him wonder about the whole question of why teeth go bad.

He started a systematic inquiry in the camps as to what parts of the country good teeth came from; what parts bad. He can still cite the results in detail. In general, he recalls, the best teeth came from Arkansas where minerals in the water apparently helped; the worst from Boston, evidently, he says, for racial and economic reasons.

DR. CLIFFORD C. LOOMIS 1895-1947

Dr. Clifford C. Loomis, a graduate of the University of Illinois, College of Dentistry, class of 1919, died April 8, 1947. He was a member of the Englewood Branch of the Chicago Dental Society and practiced at 506 West 69th Street on the South Side. He is survived by his widow, Kathleen, and two daughters, Mrs. Geraldine Crane and Eleanor Loomis.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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dental establishment at Great Lakes took care of over three thousand recruits a month.

PERIODONTAL DISEASES

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and need not be considered for a cure. There may be no return to an ideal condition, but the progress of the disease has been arrested and what remains of the peridontium continues to be healthy.

One of the most important factors in the successful treatment of periodontal disease is the ability to diagnose.

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- (1) What factors tend to produce the disease?
- (2) How can lesions be recognized?

RECORD CHART

It is important to tabulate all observations on a suitable record chart. On this chart should be recorded the diagnosis of lesions and all local and systemic findings, thus providing a guide as to whether local conditions, such as calculus, abnormal habits, traumatic occlusion, food impaction, marginal irritations, defective contact points, faulty bridgework, margins of restorations, crowns or bands, toothbrush trauma or bacteria have been the etiologic factors, or whether inadequate diet, psychosomatic factors, systemic diseases, disturbed metabolism or endocrine dysfunction had been instrumental in causing disease. The chart also indicates whether the conditions observed are those of recession, pocket formation, erosion, gingivitis, alveoloclasia, pericementoclasia, or parodental abscess. Mouth odors such as observed in diabetes, kidnev disturbances, etc., should also be noted on the chart. The proper diagnostic chart helps to discover all these factors because of the thorough attention paid to details.

Diagnosis depends for its success not only on the recognition of subjective and objective symptoms but also on a knowledge of mechanical relationships and roentgenographic diagnosis. Good diagnostic casts and roentgenographic series of at least 18 pictures are most important in this study.

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The roentgenogram plays an important role in determining the diagnosis of a particular case. We must recognize the difference between the normal and pathologic conditions in the films.

Both the clinical and the roentgenographic findings enables the diagnostician to determine whether local or general disturbances are factors in the causes of periodontal diseases. It is interesting in this connection that although we may recognize certain lesions of periodontal disease, there are some types which present a most serious problem in treatment. Although research is being conducted in these cases, much is unknown. Complete systemic work-up sometimes indicates that endocrine dysfunction, disease of vital organs and inadequate diets are at least partially responsible for the development of these conditions which are described as precocious alveolar atrophy or diffuse alveolar atrophy. However, the damage is so great that by the time the etiology is determined, a number of teeth must be sacrificed. Early diagnosis is important if success in treatment is to be made. All efforts must be directed towards increasing our fund of knowledge, in the hope that although, at the present time, we may only be describing a symptom of this particular group of periodontal diseases, research will lead to a cure.

YOUTH NIGHT PROGRAM

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tistry are unlimited. Besides the possibility of entering general practice or a specialty there is a great need for teachers. (But he didn't say that the dearth of good teachers is possibly due to the meagerness of the reward).

Finally, Dr. Timmons brought out the necessity for inventive ingenuity, digital dexterity, an interest in science and a pleasing personality as the attributes of a good dentist.

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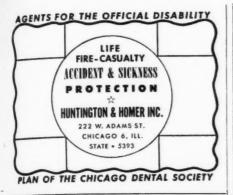
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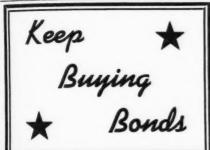
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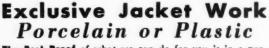
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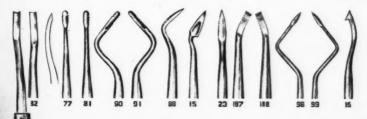
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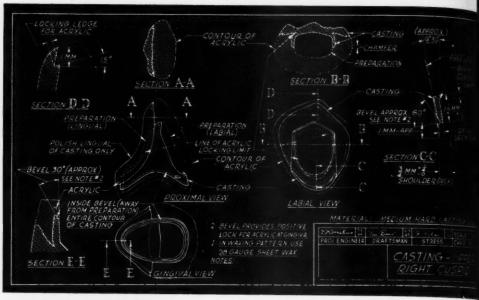
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